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COLOMBIA.

Report from Bocas del Toro, fruit port—Smallpox—Vaccination.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows: Week ended May 19, 1903. Present officially estimated population not obtainable; number of deaths, 6, including 1 from tuberculosis and 1 from smallpox; prevailing diseases, malaria and epidemic of smallpox; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week not good. Smallpox is now epidemic in the port. An effort is being made to stamp out the disease. Vaccination will be made compulsory, but for the present it is not necessary, as all seem willing to comply. Isolation and disinfection are being pushed.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels:

Date.	Name of vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
May 14	Beverly	39	0	0	0
14	Fort Morgan	22	0	0	0
16	Belvernon.....	21	0	0	0

COSTA RICA.

Report from Limon, fruit port—Yellow fever.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Gruver reports as follows: Week ended May 21, 1903. Census population, 4,000; number of cases of yellow fever, 4, 1 death; deaths from other causes, 4; prevailing diseases, yellow fever and malarial diseases; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, poor. Port and surrounding country continues infected with yellow fever.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels:

Date.	Name of vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
May 15	Hispania	23	0	0	0
16	Olympia	37	0	0	0
18	Altai	47	17	7	0
20	Appomattox.....	43	3	0	0
21	John Bright ^a	23	0	0	0
21	Venus	27	0	0	0
21	Harold	19	0	0	0

^a This ship for the greater part of one month lay alongside wharf at Limon and had open communication with shore day and night; left for Mobile, Ala., May 21, being previously fumigated in accordance with regulations issued April 15, 1903.

CUBA.

Report from Matanzas—Inspection of vessels—Mortality statistics—Enteric fever and malarial disease on steamships Cape Corriente and Meridian.

Passed Assistant Surgeon von Ezdorf reports, May 25 as follows: During the week ended May 23, 1903, seven vessels received bills of health prior to sailing for ports in the United States. Thirteen deaths